



The Columbine

Fort Carson Officers' Spouses' Club

October 2006

OKTOBERFEST

at the
Edelweiss Restaurant
34 E. Ramona Ave

October 18th
12:00-2:00pm

Jaegarschnitzel with veggies
(pork medallions sautéed in a rich mushroom sauce)

Or

Maultaschen with German salad
(pasta pockets Swabian style, filled with meat and veggies)

Both served with rolls, tea, soda, or coffee

Price: \$12.00

RSVP to Allison Fuller

At 719-359-6546 or at FC_osc@yahoo.com

By Oct. 12th



Steph's Stuff...

As I sit here wondering what in the world to write in my first "official" Columbine column, I begin by asking myself what I want to offer the readers of this newsletter. I would like to offer information (that's a given) about OSC, Ft. Carson, and Colorado Springs. I'd like to offer you a chance to contribute items to our newsletter...places to go or things to do in the area, recommendations to good restaurants, newly found family games, an occasional recipe, lists of potential babysitters, and anything else that you find relevant and would like to submit to us. And, I should mention I'm a sucker when it comes to a good quote or excerpt, so you'll see a lot of those!

Now that the new OSC year has begun and the first function is "under our belts" (by the way, thanks to all of you who attended and made it such great fun!), I'm so excited to imagine the great times still to come throughout the year. We have what I believe is the best board ever known to an OSC, and I'm not just saying that to butter them up, either! They are so dedicated, enthusiastic, and hard-working, and for that I am truly thankful. And, they're so excited to work together to make this a memorable year. We have some super functions lined up. Read on to Rose & Amanda's column for details, and for the rest of our line-up, see the calendar at the end of the newsletter.

I encourage all of you to participate as much as you can this year and spread the word to others who might want to join. Being an active member in this wonderful organization will result in many friendships and the opportunity for many rewarding volunteer experiences.

Have a great month! Enjoy the beautiful fall colors, and don't forget to check out the breathtakingly golden Aspens.

See you at Edelweiss!

Your President,
Stephanie Sharp



"Kate's Kuips"

My name is Kate Beckage, and I am the First Vice President for the Officers' Spouses' Club. I am responsible for the fundraising projects this year. I have big shoes to fill, but I look forward to working with all of you on our club's endeavors.

Our first fundraiser will take place at the November function. There will be a wreath auction to benefit the club's operating budget. OSC will provide the wreath to any interested volunteer. The member decorates the wreath as he or she wishes, and places the wreath for auction. Don't forget: you can always work as a team!

For more information, please contact me at beckmaka@msn.com.

Our second fundraiser supports the club's welfare program. On March 17, 2007, OSC will host Casino Night. It is Saint Patrick's Day, so be ready experience a fusion of Ireland and Sin City. Last year the club raised \$16,000 for its scholarship and welfare distributions. It goes without saying that no one person can do this alone. In order to meet or exceed this goal, I will need your help. If you are interested in assisting with solicitation, chairing a committee, or working at the event, please contact me. I can't do it without you!

I'll see you at Oktoberfest!

Kate



Since there is nothing so well worth having as friends, never lose a chance to make them. ~Gucciardini



Anecdotes from Rose and Amanda

Our first function of the year was a great success. Thanks to all of you Retroers who came out to play Bingo, dress Retro and hula-hoop. Congratulations to all of the happy winners and especially to Kimberli Walker for being the winner of the costume contest and Tyra Lamb for hula hoping for more than 4 minutes with up to 3 hula-hoops!

Hula on Tyra!!

Our next function is **Oktoberfest** at the Edelweiss Restaurant on Wednesday, October 18th from 12:00-2:00p.m. Take a trip back to old Bavaria and see why critics rave about Edelweiss Restaurant. Come with your knowledge of Germany and win the Trivia contest or learn something new.

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The November function, **Fajita Fiesta**, will be Wednesday, November 15th at the Penrose House on Turkey Creek Ranch from 6:00-9:00p.m. Please join us for a fun evening of dancing, fajitas and margaritas!

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December 2006 Tour of Homes date change!

The December Tour of Homes date and time has changed. The tour has been rescheduled for **Sunday, December 10th**. We will have a social hour from 2:00-3:00p.m. at the Elkhorn and then have the tour from 3:00-5:00p.m. Please update your calendars to reflect this change. *If you are interested in showcasing your home for the tour, please contact Rose or Amanda.*

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Please remember to shop our vendor tables at each of the monthly functions. If you are interested in setting up as a vendor, please contact Amy West at 393-1390.



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## THIS MONTH'S RAVIN' RESTAURANT REVIEW



### Louie's Pizza

333 N Tejon St, Colorado Springs (719) 635-5565



If you happen to be in the downtown area, and if you are dying for a good slice, stop by Louie's Pizza. The pizza crust is light and crisp, and the sauce has great flavor. The prices are very reasonable, and they offer pizza by the slice as well as whole pies. Monday through Friday Louie's a great lunch special. For \$3 you can have two slices of pizza with a topping and a medium soda! Students from the area seem to love the deal, so it can be crowded. However, it's well worth the wait. Louie's Pizza is a delicious and affordable option for any family.

~submitted by Kate Beckage & Amy West

## Babysitting and Services Corner

### Babysitters

Collete Davis, age 12 (mother, Susan)...4 St. Lo Drive...559-5021...ARC certified

Molly Sawyer, age 20 (mother, Maggie)...9459 Summer Meadows Dr....559-8514...ARC cert...

...has car, available after school (2pm)

Erin Sawyer, age 18 (mother, Maggie)...9459 Summer Meadows Dr....559-8514...ARC cert...

...has car, available evenings

Monica Lobner, age 14 (mother, Bonnie)...4220 Danceglen Dr...540-2734...ARC cert.

### Lawn Services

Erick Murphy (mother, Carina)...610 Fernglen Ct (Broadmoor Glen area)...226-0762

## Peddle My Wares

Tonya Bullock, Tastefully Simple.....638-8393

Cathy Hanson, Stampin' Up!.....382-1193

Carina Murphy, Mary Kay.....226-0762

Dia Alessi, Mary Kay.....591-2506



Be the change you want to see in the world. ~Gandhi

Happy Birthday to you, Happy Birthday to you!



## September Birthdays

9 Erin Hill  
12 Tyra Lamb  
23 Connie Mathews

26 Bonnie Jean Poe  
28 Carina Murphy

## October Birthdays

8 Edith Lucas  
12 Sharon Wilson/Melissa Dewey  
13 Tammy Dindinger/Adele Snook  
16 Sally Reinhard/Audrey Rothstein  
17 Barbara Knorr/Karen Fritts  
19 Laurie Oertel  
26 Naomi Ledbetter  
31 Allison Fuller



## Join A Club...

**Bowling:** Kate Beckage 559-7470

**Book Club:** Lynn Engen 576-2602

**Dessert of the Month:** Amanda Waterman  
382-4604

**Quilting Club:** Maridee Hargis 559-9442 or  
Lisa Doyle 559-7494

**Bunco:** Maggie Sawyer 559-8514

**Hiking Club:** Barbara Knorr 527-0240

**Scrapbooking Club:** Audrey Wise 573-2157

**Golf Club:** Roz Johnson 391-7665



## Did you know...

You can rent a Santa suit; a bunny suits; or silver serving trays, tea sets, and other service from the OSC?

Call Susan Gueck-Gunn at 576-1595 for more info.



## Mountain Post Market

(formerly Ways & Means)

The Mountain Post Market is a place where you can buy various items of Army or Ft. Carson theme...greeting cards, coasters, afghans, ornaments... you never know what you'll find at our table during OSC monthly functions. Cathy Hanson has volunteered to maintain the Market this year and is sure to find some great goodies. And, your OSC Board plans to hand-make a lot of the Ft. Carson merchandise. Be sure to stop by the table at the Fajita Fiesta in November. And remember, all the proceeds earned at the Market go toward the cost of running the OSC.

I am fairly certain that, given a cape and a nice tiara, I could save the world. ~unknown

## *Retro Bingo, Sept. 20*



*Kelli Houston, Kimberli Walker, Raylene Hott*



*Ruth Mixon*



*Kate Beckage, Stephanie Sharp*

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*If you are going to doubt something, doubt your limits. ~Don Ward*



## 2006-2007 Events

Wed, 18Oct, 12 to 2pm – Oktoberfest

Wed, 15Nov, 6 to 8\*pm – Fajita Fiesta  
Penrose House, Turkey Creek

Mon, 4Dec – Santa's Workshop Ribbon  
Cutting

4Dec to 8Dec – Santa's Workshop

Sun, 10Dec, 2 to 5pm – Holiday Spectacular  
Tour of Homes

Wed, 17Jan, 6 to 8\*pm – Polish Pottery  
Bingo

Wed, 21Feb, 12 to 2pm – Bring on the Books:  
Book Exchange and Children's Book Drive

Sat, 17Mar – Casino Night

Wed, 21Mar, 6 to 8\*pm– This is Jeopardy..  
Local Trivia at the Elkhorn

Wed, 18Apr, 12 to 2pm – How Does Your  
Garden Grow? Planting Tips for Our Climate

Wed, 16May, 6 to 8\*pm – Wine Tasting and  
Installation at Taste of CO Wine Shop,  
Manitou Springs

\*Note time correction...evening events  
are intended to end at 8pm, not 9pm.

### Reservation Policy

\*Reservations (and food choices) for FCOSC events must be made in advance. Please note the RSVP date in your copy of the Columbine.

\*At each event, the reservations coordinator will greet you at the entrance where you will pick up your nametag and pay by check or cash. Sorry, no credit cards on site.

\*Those who wish to hold permanent reservations may do so by providing their credit card information. If you choose to utilize this convenience and are unable to make an event, please call to cancel as soon as possible.

\*Cancellations will be taken anytime after the RSVP date. Cancellations inside a 48-hour window will warrant a charge for the event.

### Childcare Policy

The childcare policy has changed since the 2005-2006 year. Last year childcare was donated to FCOSC due to the large number of deployed soldiers. That has since changed. You are now responsible for your own childcare expenses.

\*Childcare for morning events is available at the southwest hourly care center; your child must be registered through central registration to use this facility.

\*Reservations for childcare may be made up to two weeks in advance for daytime functions by calling 526-2463.

\* Evening childcare will be the responsibility of participating spouses. For a list of certified childcare providers, call central registration at 526-1101.

\* Child and Youth Services only allows 20 hours worth of childcare per week. If you have exceeded this allowance, they will not make your child's reservation.

## 2006-2007 Board Members

### **Executive**

|                                      |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|
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### **General**

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